

Remarks

Claims 1, 2 and 4 are currently pending in the captioned Application, all standing provisionally rejected on the ground of non-statutory double patenting with respect to claims of US Patent Application Serial No. 10/670,641.

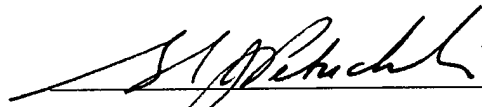
A terminal disclaimer indicating common ownership between the present application and US Patent Application Serial No. 10/670,641 is enclosed herewith.

Additionally, claim 4 has being amended to resolve indefiniteness in the claim as filed, but supported in the application at par. [0035] and introducing no new subject matter.

Finally, an Information Disclosure Statement is attached, disclosing references cited in the prosecution of US Patent Application Ser. No. 10/670,977.

Consideration of the terminal disclaimer, claim amendment, and disclosed references is respectfully requested. Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. If any additional fees are required for the timely consideration of this application, please charge deposit account number 19-4972.

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